

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT  
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:151

ANSWERED ON:10.08.2011

GIRL STUDENTS IN COLLEGES UNIVERSITIES

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**Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:**

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- (a) the extent of representation of girl students in the colleges/universities at present;
- (b) whether the Union Government has introduced any Centrally sponsored scheme for encouragement of education amongst girls at university level;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether some Central universities have provision for reservation of seats for single girl child in the country;
- (e) if so, the details thereof, State-wise and University-wise; and
- (f) the further measures proposed to be taken in this regard?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI KAPIL SIBAL)

(a) to (f): A statement is laid on the table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (f) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 151 FOR 10.08.2011 BY SHRIMATI PRIYA DUTT AND SHRI K.C. SINGH 'BABA' REGARDING GIRL STUDENTS IN COLLEGES/UNIVERSITIES

(a): As per University Grants Commission (UGC), there are 60,80,373 girl students out of a total 1,46,24,990 students in the courses conducted through regular streams in Universities and Colleges during 2009-10. This constitutes 41.6% representation of girls in total enrolment in colleges and universities.

(b) to (c): While there is no Centrally Sponsored Scheme for encouragement of education amongst girls at university level, University Grants Commission (UGC) provides Indira Gandhi Scholarship to Single Girl Child for pursuing higher and technical education. In addition to this, UGC has taken number of steps for greater access to women in higher education like Construction of Women's Hostels, development of Women's studies in Universities and Colleges, Scheme of capacity building of Women Managers in Higher education, Post Doctoral fellowships for women etc. The All India Council of Technical Education (AICTE), besides having a scheme of tuition fee waiver for girl students in technical institutions, it also provides for relaxed norms for establishment of new technical institutions exclusively for women.

(d) to (f) : The Central Universities are statutory autonomous bodies which decide their own admission policy, including reservation, if any, for women. As per information available with the Government, no Central University provides for any reservation in admission to single girl child. However, some of them, for promoting higher education amongst women, do provide for tuition fee waiver, free-ship, scholarship, free hostel accommodation, etc.